





Yahshua's Witness Magazine

is dedicated to His bride. Yahshua will be returning soon to receive His own unto Himself (Jn. 14:3). His bride must make herself ready (Rev. 19:7). A person who is called out of this world by the Father, who repents of his/her sins, is baptized in the name of Yahshua the Messiah (Acts 2:38), the only name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved (Acts 4:12), and receives the Holy Spirit must come to know Him as the Scriptures declare and witness of Him (Jn. 5:39-47). Peter encouraged, "But grow in grace, and the knowledge of our Sovereign and Saviour Yahshua the Messiah," 2 Pet. 3:18. We will, with Yahweh's help and the Spirit of Truth, seek to reveal a most wondrous Savior and Redeemer, a Savior and Redeemer that much of the world has spoken of, dreamed of, hoped for, but truly never known. While much of the world looks to a savior, the savior of whom they have been taught has become corrupted. Another has been substituted in the true Savior's place. Those who are called out of this world and given to Him are likened unto virgins. But in accordance with His own parable of those virgins, only five are wise while the other five are foolish. The five wise are able to enter into the planned marriage with the Messiah, but the five foolish have the door closed to them (Mt. 25:1-13). Let's be wise, remember our betrothal to the Messiah and the virginity to which He has restored us (2 Cor. 11:1-2), resist the wiles of the devil and look to and prepare for a joyous and glorious marriage that will endure for all eternity. HalleluYah!!!!

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OUR COVER: The tremendous earthquake that took place in the Indian Ocean area created a tsunami that killed in excess of 150,000 people in Sri Lanka, Indonesia, Africa, India and other areas. The tremendous destruction was depicted by before and after pictures taken by Digitalglobe and posted on the internet. This carnage and destruction is only a precursor which will occur at the end of this age. It was so heartbreaking to see the wanton destruction, the agony, sadness and sorrow of survivors who lost many loved ones. But even the survivors will face many dangers of the outbreak of disease, starvation and extremely impoverished conditions.

This destruction came without warning, but the destruction that is yet to come was prophesied in Yahweh's word, both Old and New Testaments, thousands of years ago. The inhabitants of the earth should take note and warning, preparing themselves to escape the coming destruction. Sadly, Scripture also reveals that few will pay heed and be prepared.

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FROM THE EDITOR

FOCUS ON TSUNAMI

The Tsunami that hit the Indian Ocean had such an devastating effect not only on that area, but throughout much of the Pacific also. We may never know the true number of casualties caused by this great earthquake and resultant tsunami. We have seen so many of the sad stories of loss and wept with them. We have also seen the wondrous stories of amazing survival and wept with joy at the rejoicing of their loved ones.

I know that many have tried to associate the devastating earthquake with the Christmas celebration of Christianity, but the fact of the matter is that if such is true, why didn't the great earthquake occur and bring devastation on the nations that are truly wholehearted in their observance of this pagan celebration. The earthquake and resultant Tsunami actually affected nations that are non-Christian in their beliefs (even though there are some few elements of Christianity among them). Of course, any religion that is outside of the worship of the true Creator Yahweh and His beloved and blessed Son Yahshua is idolatrous and pagan in its concepts. This includes Judaism and Islam.

What has recently caught my eye is an article that has appeared on the Internet entitled "Brightest Galactic Flash Ever Detected Hits Earth." Here is what was said about this great flash, "A huge explosion halfway across the galaxy packed so much power it briefly altered Earth's upper atmosphere in December, astronomers said Friday. No known eruption beyond our solar system has ever appeared as bright upon arrival. But you could not have seen it, unless you can top the X-ray vision of Superman: In gamma rays, the event equaled the brightness of the full Moon's reflected visible light."

This great flash was detected on Dec. 27th which was just one day after the great earthquake. But read what else was stated about this great flash, "Had this happened within 10 light-years of us, it would have severely damaged our atmosphere and possibly have triggered a mass extinction," said Bryan Gaensler of the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics (CfA).....The gamma rays hit the ionosphere and created more ionization, briefly expanding the ionosphere," said Neil Gehrels, lead scientist for NASA's gamma-ray watching Swift observatory....Still, scientists were surprised that a magnetar so far away could alter the ionosphere. That it can reach out and tap us on the shoulder like this, reminds us that we really are linked to the cosmos," said Phil Wilkinson of IPS Australia, that country's space weather service....Some researchers have speculated that one or more known mass extinctions hundreds of millions of years ago might have been the result of a similar blast altering Earth's atmosphere. There is no firm data to support the idea, however. But astronomers say the Sun might have been closer to other stars in the past. A similar blast within 10 light-years of Earth "would destroy the ozone layer," according to a CfA statement, "causing abrupt climate change and mass extinctions due to increased radiation."

Is it possible that this great flash of energy is connected to the great earthquake? The dates are too close to each other to simply discount. When they admit that we really are linked to the cosmos, it is the belief of this author that we are getting to the crux of the matter. What takes place on earth can have an effect in the heavens. When scientists tested the first atomic bomb, many believed that they might cause a chain reaction that would destroy the earth and all of creation. If we are closely linked to the cosmos, then the action of splitting the atom could have caused a reaction in the heavens. Is this the first reaction in the heavens to the first atomic bomb test? I am just speculating at this point, but the interesting thing is that with the introduction of the atomic age, we and the creation have been corrupted with Strontium 90. It is also interesting that the meltdown that took place in Russia happened in Chernobyl which is Russian for "WORMWOOD!"

Yahweh warned Israel that if they forsook Him and turned back to the idolatry of the nations, the result would be a root that bears gall and wormwood. The Hebrew word for Gall is "rosh" and is linked to the poppy from whence comes heroin. The reason so many turn to drugs, whether lawful or unlawful is because we have forsaken Yahweh. The Hebrew word for wormwood is "la'ana" which has to do with a bitter curse. The Greek for wormwood is "apsinthos" which also has to do with bitterness and calamity.

Yahshua warned that what Yahweh has joined together let not man break asunder (Mt. 19:6). While this is dealing with the nuclear family, Yahweh has also joined together the atomic world. Man should not break it asunder. Great bitterness is involved with family breakups. Great bitterness in the form of radiation, Strontium 90, etc. is the result of breaking up the atomic structure artificially by the hand of man.

Our article entitled "Tsunami, Precursor of the Coming Destruction?" was written before I came in contact with the article on the galactic flash. As pointed in Scripture and the article, Yahweh says that He will soon shake the heavens and the earth. The galactic flash was a shaking in the heavens that did have its effect on the earth. The earthquake also was a great shaking of the earth. We may be in store for more galactic flashes in the near future and more devastating earthquakes, volcanoes, etc. Have we or are we entering into the times forecast in the Scriptures? If you have been observing the heavens, the precession of the equinoxes, etc., and also studying and believing the Scriptures, then you do know and understand that we are nearing the end of an age. The end of the age will bring dire consequences on this earth. Hang on for we are in for a violent ride! But after the smoke clears, a new day will dawn that will bring peace and healing. May Yahweh speed that day.

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THE IDOL SHEPHERD

PART III

By Jerry Healan

FORGETTING YAHWEH

Yahweh inspired the prophet Jeremiah to write, "Mine heart within me is broken because of the prophets; all my bones shake; I am like a drunken man, and like a man whom wine hath overcome, because of Yahweh, and because of the words of His holiness.

"For the land is full of adulterers; for because of swearing the land mourneth; the pleasant places of the wilderness are dried up, and their course is evil, and their force is not right.

"For both prophet and priest are profane; yea, in My house have I found their wickedness, saith Yahweh.

"Wherefore their way shall be unto them as slippery ways in the darkness: they shall be driven on, and fall therein: for I will bring evil upon them, even the year of their visitation, saith Yahweh.

"And I have seen folly in the prophets of Samaria; they prophesied in Baal, and caused My People Israel to err.

"I have seen also in the prophets of Jerusalem an horrible thing: they commit adultery, and walk in lies: they strengthen also the hands of evildoers, that none doth return from his wickedness: they are all of them unto Me as Sodom, and the inhabitants thereof as Gomorrah.

"Therefore thus saith Yahweh of hosts concerning the prophets; Behold, I will feed them with wormwood, and make them drink the water of gall: for from the prophets of Jerusalem is profaneness gone forth into all the land," Jer. 23:7-15.

The description that Jeremiah is giving here not only applies to the people of his day, but it certainly is descriptive of conditions in our world

today. Idolatry and its subsequent fleshly influences have a grip on this age as it did in that age. Notice that the wickedness and idolatrous Baal worship was found both in Israel at Samaria and in Judah at Jerusalem where Yahweh's house was built.

Yahweh further inspires Jeremiah to write, "I have heard what the prophets said, that prophesy lies in My name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed.'

"How long shall this be in the heart of the prophets that prophesy lies? yea, they are prophets of the deceit of their own heart; "Which think to cause My People to forget My name by their dreams which they tell every man to his neighbour, as their fathers have forgotten My name for Baal," vv. 25-27.

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been forgotten for Baal. The interesting thing concerning this concept is that the Jews WILL NOT pronounce Yahweh's name. When they speak of Yahweh they call Him "HaShem" which simply means "the name."

When they read the Scriptures, upon coming to Yahweh's name they say "Adonai" rather than pronounce His name. Adonai simply means Lord, Master, etc.

Even in the English world and Bible Yahweh's name has been replaced with the LORD. When people speak of Yahweh they say "The LORD this and the LORD that. Most people are even ignorant of Yahweh's name altogether and many who are privy to the

knowledge of it scoff at the true importance and significance of it.

The interesting thing about the name Baal however, is that it also means master, husband, owner, LORD, husband, etc. It is the understanding of the people who uphold the true names of the Father and Son that both the Jews and modern day Christianity are steeped in the idolatrous Baal worship that Jeremiah revealed in his own day. Therefore, the assemblies refrain from the use of "the LORD" and other words employed by the paganistic idolatrous world around them.

Yahweh inspired Hosea to write concerning Israel's idolatrous behavior, "For I will take away the names of Baalim out of her mouth, and they shall no more be remembered by their name," 2:17. Notice that it is speaking of "names of Baalim." From this we conclude that there is more than one name for Baal and that there is more than one Baal since Baalim is also a plural word in the Hebrew. One could say "names of Baals" for further clarification.

Thus, there are other names for Baal that we won't have the space to go into in this article, but suffice it to say that another name of Baal is the very word that practically the whole world uses today for their deities and that word is "God." (Refer to Isa. 65:11 for clarification)

BANDS

Yahweh said that He cut His other staff asunder which was Bands, representing the brotherhood of Judah and Israel. Zech. 11:14.

How was this done? Judah and Israel, though outwardly appearing to be united today, are at odds, variance with one another through religion! The

Jews worship Baal through their Judaic tradition while Israel worships Baal through the Christian tradition. Stephen witnessing to the high priest and Jews of His day said, "Yea, ye took up the tabernacle of Molock, and the star of your deity Remphan, figures (types, symbols) which ye made to worship them: and I will carry you away beyond Babylon," Acts 7:43. Israel and Judah began to worship Baal through figures, types, symbols

that were never commanded by

Yahweh.

Ezekiel confirms this, "As for the beauty (glory, splendor) of His (Yahweh's) ornament (excellency), He set it in majesty (Yahweh gave all Israel His tabernacle, priesthood, ark of the covenant and law through which they were to worship Him): but they made the images of their abominations and their detestable things therein: therefore have I set it far from them. And I will give it into the hands of the strangers for a prey, and to the wicked of the earth for a spoil; and they shall pollute it. My face will I turn also from them, and they shall pollute My secret: for the robbers shall enter into it and defile it," Ez. 7:20-22.

Both Israel and Judah are worshipping a foolish (impious, perverse) shepherd today. Israel worships an idol shepherd. His name is Jesus! The instruments through which he is worshipped are false deceitful images that were never commanded by Yahweh.

Christmas trees, Christmas decorations, reindeer, a jolly fat elf, angels, manger scenes, valentines, eggs, rabbits, the sun, the ghouls of Halloween and stars are false deceitful images leading Yahweh's people into idolatry, pagan Baal idol worship.

THE SHEPHERD

Yahweh says, "Woe to the idol shepherd that leaveth the flock," Zech. 11:17.

The Encyclopedia Britannica says of Tammuz, "He is described as the shepherd who left his flocks, as the shepherds sat in the fields wailing for Tammuz,".....Pantibiblas of the Greek, near Erech, seems to have been the original seat of the cult, and in the Sumerian tradition of the ten pre-

diluvian kings, the name of one at Badtibira is Dumuzsipa, "Tammuz the shepherd"; one of the names of Tammuz is Tibira,".....under the title Sibzianna, "Faithful shepherd of heaven," he was identified with Orion." (p.p. 777).

The Britannica also has this to say about Tammuz the shepherd, "It is obvious that a cult which is based upon the death and resurrection of a propitiating god and upon the love of a divine mother who wails for her son, has direct connection with the facts and the theological views based upon them which gave birth to Christianity. form of the cult which But the apparently most directly affected the origins of Christianity is that in which Marduk of Babylon was identified with Tammuz. At the Nisan or new year festival at Babylon, Bel (Marduk) was said to have been imprisoned in the lower world, and a priestess weeps at his sepulchre. A malefactor was slain with Bel and they descend together to the land of darkness. Beltis, his wife, descends to hell to seek him, and Bel's garments are given Ishtar (mother of Tammuz). Bel was laid in a sepulchre, from which he soon comes forth." (p.p. 777).

Such are the instruments (implements) of the foolish (perverse, impious) shepherd. He is an idol (good for nothing, vain, vanity, no value, thing of nought) shepherd that

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leaveth (fail, forsake, loosen, relinquish) the flock.

This foolish, idol shepherd shall not visit those that be cut off (perish, dead, the dead. He cannot resurrect them). He does not seek the young one (the straying according to Bullinger. Yea, the Christian shepherd encourages straying from Yahweh's truth). He shall not heal that that is broken (the wounded, sick), nor feed that that standeth still (the weak): but he shall eat the flesh of the fat (an apt description of modern day Christianity which feeds on its flock like the mistletoe parasite, taking away the wealth while promising only empty false lies in the name of its false

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shepherd) and tear their claws (hooves) in pieces (the split hoof represents the clean animal when the cud is also chewed, but the cleanness is torn away through false implements of worship) Zech. 11:15-17.

THE TRUE NAME

It is a fact that the Saviour was a Hebrew of the tribe of Judah and that the language spoken was Hebrew or Aramaic and not Greek. Bullinger says in the *Companion Bible* that the Greek name lesous is the same as the Hebrew Jehoshua (Yehoshua), or the abbreviated form Joshua (Yahshua) (cp. Heb. 4:8), and means [the] Salvation of Yahweh, or Yahweh the Saviour.

He then says, "The name "Jesus" is the name associated with the shame.....demons or his enemies irreverently call Him "Jesus." (Ap. 98. X). I have taken this out of context to prove a point.

If the name Jesus is a name associated with shame, a name of irreverence given the Saviour by His enemies, then why should we use it when speaking of Him? Remember how Psa. 74 speaks of the enemy blaspheming His name? Wouldn't Jesus, then, be the name of blasphemy?

Isaiah wrote speaking of Israel, "Ye have sold yourselves for nought; and ve shall be redeemed without money.' For thus saith the Master Yahweh. 'Mv People went down aforetime into Egypt to sojourn there, and the Assyrian oppressed them without cause. Now therefore, what have I here; saith Yahweh, 'That My People is taken away for nought? They that rule over them make them howl,' saith Yahweh; 'And My name continually every day is blasphemed," Isa. 52:3-5. Yahweh says His name and the name of His Son is blasphemed every day. Yahweh's name has been replaced in the scripture with Lord while Yahshua's name has been replaced with Jesus which are names associated with blasphemy, shame, confusion, idol worship.

THE RETURN TO EGYPT & SHAME

Jeremiah writes, "Surely as a wife treacherously departeth from her

husband, so have ye dealt treacherously with Me, O house of Israel, saith Yahweh. A voice was heard upon the high places, weeping and supplications of the children of Israel: for they have perverted their way, and they have forgotten Yahweh their Elohim.....For shame (bosheth; an idol, confusion) hath devoured the labour of our fathers from our youth; their flocks and their herds, their sons and their daughters. We lie down in our shame, and our confusion (disgrace) covereth us: for we have sinned against Yahweh our Elohim, we and our fathers, from our youth even to this day, and have not obeyed the voice of Yahweh our Elohim," Jer. 3:20-21; 24-25.

Jeremiah is further inspired to write, "Behold, ye trust in lying words, that cannot profit. Will ye steal, murder, and commit adultery, and swear falsely, and burn incense unto Baal, and walk after other Elohim whom ye know not; and come and stand before Me in this house, which is called by My name, and say, 'We are delivered to do all these abominations? Is this house, which is called by My name become a den of robbers in your eyes? Behold, even I have seen it, saith Yahweh," Jer. 7:8-11.

Yahweh here condemns Judah for seeking to mix pagan Baal, idol worship with His true worship which robs, steals away His glory to another. Yahweh continues in Jer. 7:17-18 explaining about the family worship of Ishtar, the queen of heaven, by the children gathering wood, the fathers kindling a fire and the women making cakes (hot cross buns) to her.

He then says, "Do they provoke Me to anger? saith Yahweh: do they not provoke themselves to the confusion (bosheth; an idol, shame) of their own faces?" Jer. 7:19.

Both Israel and Judah turned to idols, idolatry, shame and confusion. Jeroboam, king of Israel made two calves of gold setting one in Bethel and the other in Dan, I Ki. 12:26-29.

The significance of calf worship is that the deities of Egypt, both Osiris and Isis were worshipped through bulls, cows and calves.

The Encyclopedia Britannica has this to say of Isis, "She commonly wore the horns of a cow, and the cow was sacred to her," (Article Isis, 14th Ed., Vol. 12, p.p. 708).

It says of Osiris, "Originally Osiris seems to have been an agricultural deity of Syrian origin, who entered Egypt with the conquering dynastic people, and was chiefly venerated at Mendes, where he comes to have adopted a locally worshipped animal, the goat, if he did not bring him with him. Then in a manner for which various explanations might be given, he later on became identified with two local gods of the dead, the hawk Sokri, and the bull (Apis) at Memphis, and eventually, under the middle kingdom with another local dead god, Khentamentiu ("Chief of the Westerners") at Abydos," (14th Ed., Vol. 8, p.p. 58, article "Egypt -Religion).

Israel, in the wilderness sojourn, sought several times to return to Egypt. Yahweh, through Moses' leadership, would not permit it. Israel entered the land of Canaan where the *Britannica* article specifies the origins of Egypt's false pagan religion stems from. Israel then began to worship Baal, turning from the true worship of Yahweh, back to the deities from which they had been delivered when they came out of Egypt.

The *Britannica* article says, "At Memphis a triple (tri-une) Osiris, Ptah-Socharis-Osiris, was confounded with

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the local deity Ptah, as well as Sokri (Socharis), and the bull Apis was his animal." (Remember the triple deity of the Celts? The branches of the oak tree had "Yesu," "Taranus" and "Belenus" carved on them).

Osiris was the Egyptian sun deity. He was worshipped through the symbol of the ankh, the symbol of life which is a tau cross with the aten or sun-disc on top. (*Ency. Brit.* 14th Ed., Vol. 8, p.p. 59).

Thus the Babylonian Tammuz, Phoenician Baal, Egyptian Osiris, Celtic "Yesu," "Esus," "Hesus," "Jesus" are all one and the same!!!

THE CHERUB

Osiris, the sun deity, would be represented at times as a hawk. Osiris was generally human headed but the

bull was also associated with him. At other times, the Sphinx, a symbol of the sun deity, had a human head and a lion's body.

These four items, the hawk/eagle, man, bull and lion are representatives of a cherub, Ez. 1:5-10; 10:1-20; 41:18-19.

Isaiah chapter 14 and Ezekiel chapter 28 speaks of Lucifer (Isa. 14:12), son of the morning, having fallen from heavenly places, a man (v. 16) who sought to be exalted above Yahweh (v.v. 13-14), an abominable branch (v. 19). He is called a cherub in Ez. 28:14, having been in Eden, the garden of Elohim (v. 13), a king of Tyrus (v. 12) who will lose his position because of religious corruption (v.v. 17-18).

He is being worshipped today in various forms (Buddaism, Hinduism, Etc.) but one of the most deceptive forms to the modern day western world is in the form of Christianity under the false irreverent name of Jesus.

THE RIGHT HAND

Satan, worshipped as Bel, Baal, Osiris, Yesu, Jesus is the idol shepherd of Zech 11. Yahweh says the sword shall be upon his (right) arm and his right eye: his arm shall be clean dried up, and his right eye shall be utterly darkened, v. 17.

Zechariah saw Yahshua the high priest (a type of Yahshua, the Saviour, the heavenly High Priest) standing before the angel of Yahweh, and satan at his right hand to resist him. And Yahweh said unto Satan, "Yahweh rebuke thee. O Satan: even Yahweh That hath chosen Jerusalem rebuke thee: is not this a brand plucked out of the fire?" Now Yahshua was clothed with filthy garments, and stood before the angel, Zech. 3:1-3. Satan resists Yahweh's true worship today through false idolatrous worship. He has even perverted and corrupted the true name of the Saviour! One Jesus is presented as the son of the right hand of Yahweh (Psa. 110).

Satan has sought to set himself at Yahweh's right hand. He has clothed the Saviour in filthy, corruptible, perverted, deceitful garments.

His right eye will be blinded into darkness! His right arm withered so

that it cannot save!

Who will you worship? Jesus, who is the right eye and right arm of modernday christian idolatry? Or Yahshua, Who is the Son of Yahweh's right arm, the apple of His (right?) eye? (Psa. 17:8).

Yahshua said, "And if thy right eye offend (skandalizo [from whence comes scandle]; to entrap, i.e. trip up [fig. stumble] [trans.] or entice to sin, apostasy or displeasure) thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should be cast into hell (geena). And If thy right hand offend (skandalizo) thee, cut it off, and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should be cast into hell (geena)," Mt. 5:29-30.

How can our eye or our hand cause us to apostasize?Do we look to idol worship with our eye? Do we worship holding our hands out to idols and images? Yahshua said, "The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light," Mt. 6:22. In another place it is said, "In Him was life; and the life was the light of men," Jn. 1:4.

Yahshua must be the light that our eyes behold and that in spirit and truth. He is clean, pure, holy. We must worship Him in the way that Yahweh commands, according to scripture and not according to the traditions of this world.

Yahshua continued in Mt. 6:23, "But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness." Yahweh condemns the worship of modern day Christianity as wicked and evil. The eye of wickedness and darkness must be plucked from us so that our body might not be cast into the fire.

Our hand and arm must be stretched out to our heavenly Father, Yahweh, through Yahshua, not an imposter who leads one into Baal worship.

We who have bowed the knee to Baal (Jesus) must turn, repent, cast off the right eye and hand (arm) of Christianity if we are to avoid Geena!

PAUL'S WARNING

Paul was inspired to warn us that Messiah would not come except there

be a falling away (apostasy, rebellion) first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition (destruction), who opposeth (to be opposite, adversary) and exalteth himself above all that is called Elohim (Yahweh) (Isn't that what Lucifer did? Isn't that what the modernday Christian Jesus does?), or that is worshipped; so that he as Elohim sitteth in the Temple of Elohim, shewing himself that he is Elohim.

For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth (katecho: have, hold [fast], keep [in memory], possess, retain, seize on, take, withhold) will let, until he be taken out of the way (out of the midst). And then shall that wicked (lawless one) be revealed (apokalupto; to take off the cover, i.e. disclose), whom the Master shall consume with the spirit of His mouth and shall destroy (katargeo: to be [render] entirely idle [useless]:bring to nought, put away [down]; Satan is consigned to the abyss) with the brightness of His coming: even Him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders and with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause Yahweh shall send them strong

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delusion that they should believe a lie (We have already seen how the Christian world worships Jesus through deceit, lies): that they might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness (lawlessness)," 2 Thes. 2:3-12.

The man of sin is now revealed. Jesus is the man of sin that leaves the flock. He cannot resurrect. He cannot heal. He does not strengthen the weak nor seek after the strayed. He sits today, in the temple of Yahweh showing himself that he is elohim. He is the idol shepherd, the foolish (impious, perverse) shepherd. He has lead the flock into idolatry, lies, deceit. The coming beast, therefore, the son of perdition, the child of the devil will come in the name of Yesus, Hesus,

Jesus, the name of shame and confusion.

Yahshua, the Master from heaven, will come in glorious brightness, in the name of Yahweh and truth. He will utterly destroy all of the deceitful ways in which man has attempted to worship Yahweh.

The book of Revelation chapter 12 verse 9 says that the great dragon serpent Satan the devil has deceived the whole world. (Please read it for yourself.)

The shepherds left to care for the flock have trampled the green grass of the fields into the mud and mire causing the sheep to forage for filthy food. They have muddied the waters (Spirit) with their feet causing the sheep to drink of undesirable waters. They have made themselves fat and rich at the expense of the flock by fleecing the sheep and sacrificing them at the altars of idolatry. Our charge to them is to repent, confess their sins and turn to serve the True Shepherd and Bishop of our souls.

Let us all be deceived no longer. Let us, therefore, repent, turn to the true Shepherd Who gave His life for the sheep. The One Who opens and no man shuts and shuts and no man opens. The One Who will lead us into the ways of His Father Yahweh. May Yahweh bless you and have mercy upon you through the True Shepherd and sacrifice Yahshua the Messiah of Nazareth.

TSUNAMI, PRECURSOR OF THE COMING DESTRUCTION

On December 26th a tremendous earthquake occurred in the Indian Ocean that caused tremendous destruction and loss of life in the Asiatic part of the world. The pictures on our magazine front show several before and after pictures. Notice the apparent beauty before the disaster and the abject desolation afterward.

The earthquake was so great that it caused the earth to wobble and even sped its rotation some milliseconds. Reporters, who normally like to keep religion out of their reports and assessments, were declaring that this earthquake and subsequent destruction was of Biblical proportions. It was somewhat good to hear these people speaking of the Scriptures on one hand, but on the other hand, it's too bad that it takes disaster, destruction and great loss of lives to cause people to remember and speak of the Scriptures.

It's so sad to see the survivors agonizing over the dead. To see so many who are totally overwhelmed by these things. The looks on their faces and in their eyes show a sadness, an emptiness, an expression of shock, of torture and torment that will not vanish for quite some time.

But what has happened to that part of the world is only a precursor, a forerunner of something even more terrible that will soon be taking place.

We are approaching the end of this present evil age. Man has taken Yahweh's word and cast it behind, "Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing?

- 2 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against Yahweh, and against his anointed (Messiah), saying,
- 3 Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.
- 4 He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: Yahweh shall have them in derision.
- 5 Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore

displeasure," Psa. 2:1-5.

Yes, it does seem like the thing to do in today's world. Declare Yah-weh's word to be fiction, myths and/or ancient history, cast it aside and turn to trust in the rulers and leaders of this world who can't even deliver themselves in their time of trouble.

THE SEPARATION

When we cast His word behind, the result is a gap, a separation between man and His Creator, "Behold, Yahweh's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear:

- 2 But your iniquities have separated between you and your Elohim, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear.
- 3 For your hands are defiled with blood, and your fingers with iniquity;

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your lips have spoken lies, your tongue hath muttered perverseness.

- 4 None calleth for justice, nor any pleadeth for truth: they trust in vanity, and speak lies; they conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity.
- 5 They hatch cockatrice' eggs, and weave the spider's web: he that eateth of their eggs dieth, and that which is crushed breaketh out into a viper.
- 6 Their webs shall not become garments, neither shall they cover themselves with their works: their works are works of iniquity, and the act of violence is in their hands.
- 7 Their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed innocent blood: their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity; wasting and destruction are in their paths.
- 8 The way of peace they know not; and there is no judgment in their goings: they have made them crooked

paths: whosoever goeth therein shall not know peace.

- 9 Therefore is judgment far from us, neither doth justice overtake us: we wait for light, but behold obscurity; for brightness, but we walk in darkness.
- 10 We grope for the wall like the blind, and we grope as if we had no eyes: we stumble at noonday as in the night; we are in desolate places as dead men.
- 11 We roar all like bears, and mourn sore like doves: we look for judgment, but there is none; for salvation, but it is far off from us.
- 12 For our transgressions are multiplied before thee, and our sins testify against us: for our transgressions are with us; and as for our iniquities, we know them;
- 13 In transgressing and lying against Yahweh, and departing away from our Elohim, speaking oppression and revolt, conceiving and uttering from the heart words of false-hood.
- 14 And judgment is turned away backward, and justice standeth afar off: for truth is fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter.
- 15 Yea, truth faileth; and he that departeth from evil maketh himself a prey: and Yahweh saw it, and it displeased him that there was no judgment
- 16 And he saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no intercessor," Isa. 59:1-16.

Paul declares, "What then? are we better than they? No, in no wise: for we have before proved both Jews and Gentiles, that they are all under sin;

- 10 As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one:
- 11 There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after Yahweh.
- 12 They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.
- 13 Their throat is an open sepulchre;

with their tongues they have used deceit; the poison of asps is under their lips:

- 14 Whose mouth is full of cursing and bitterness:
- 15 Their feet are swift to shed blood:
- 16 Destruction and misery are in their ways:
- 17 And the way of peace have they not known:
- 18 There is no fear of Yahweh before their eyes.
- 19 Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before Yahweh.
- 20 Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin....
- 23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of Yahweh," Ro. 3:9 -20, 23.

Yes, all have sinned. Few are turning to the Elohim of the Scriptures and even many who seem to uphold the Scriptures have been deceived to embrace falsehoods concerning their Creator, His Messiah and the application of His word in their lives.

YAHSHUA THE WAY

Yahweh has prepared a way for us to be able to return to Him and his favor once again. That way is Yahshua the Messiah, "Yahshua saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me," Jn. 14:6.

It is through Yahshua that we are able to approach the throne of the Heavenly Father Yahweh. Peter and John were teaching the people about Yahshua in the temple of Yahweh at Jerusalem after Peter healed a lame man from his birth (Acts 3). Peter declared, "Unto you first Yahweh, having raised up His Son Yahshua, sent Him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities," Acts 3:26.

But the priests and other rulers were grieved because they were teaching the resurrection from the dead through Yahshua (Acts 4:1-2).

When they were examined the next day, Peter declared, "Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel,

- 9 If we this day be examined of the good deed done to the impotent man, by what means he is made whole;
- 10 Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Yahshua the Messiah of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom Yahweh raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole.
- 11 This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner.
- 12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved," Acts 4:8-12.

Paul declares, "For through Him we both (Jew and Gentile) have access by one Spirit unto the Father," Eph. 2:18.

It is written in the book of Hebrews, "But this man, because he continueth ever, hath an unchangeable priest-

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hood.

25 Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost **that come unto Yahweh by him**, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them," Heb. 7:24–25.

We are encouraged, "Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Yahshua,

- 20 By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh;
- 21 And having an high priest over the house of Yahweh;
- 22 Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.

23 Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;)," Heb. 10:19-23

Yahshua is the only acceptable way to the holiest place in all of creation whether spirit or physical! It is the honor, privilege, commission and command to the New Testament believers to declare this good news to the ends of the earth and every creature on it.

THE RESISTANCE

Originally, it was the Jewish leaders of the priesthood, the Sadducees, Pharisees, etc. who resisted the truth about Yahshua. They were the ones who put Him to death and after His resurrection, withstood the knowledge of His resurrection and the hope that is in Him. Then the Caesars, kings and other leaders began to take over and publish a good news concerning another savior (see our article "Who's On The Cross?" in the last issue of this magazine).

Psalms chapter two makes this revelation, "Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing?

- 2 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against Yahweh, and against his anointed (Messiah), saying,
- 3 Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us," vv. 1-2.

The Caesars, kings and leaders of the earth have sought to force their own brand of religion upon the people. Let's not exclude the Papacy of the Western Church nor the Orthodox priesthood of the East either.

Halley's Bible Handbook admits, "The Church was founded, not as an institution of Authority to force the name and teaching of [the Messiah] upon the world, but only as a Witness-Bearing institution to [the Messiah], to hold Him before the people. [The Messiah] Himself, not the Church, is the Transforming Power of Human Life. But the Church was founded in the Roman Empire, and gradually developed a form of Government like the Political World in which it ex-

isted, becoming a vast Autocratic organization, ruled from the top." (p. 767)

It is admitted on page 760, "Emperor Constantine (A.D. 306-337), when he became a Christian issued an Edict granting Everybody the right to choose his own Religion.

Emperor Theodosius (A.D. 378-398), made Christianity the State Religion of the Roman Empire, and made Chruch Membership Compulsory. This was the Worst Calamity that has ever befallen the Church. This Forced Conversion filled the Churches with Unregenerate People.

Not only so, Theodosius undertook the Forcible Suppression of all other Religions, and Prohibited Idol Worship. Under his decrees, Heathen Temples were torn down by mobs of Christians, and there was much bloodshed.

[The Messiah] had designed to conquer by purely Spiritual and Moral Means. Up to this time Conversion was Voluntary, a Genuine Change in Heart and Life.

But now the Military Spirit of Imperial Rome had entered the Church. The Church had Conquered the Roman Empire. But in reality the Roman Empire had Conquered the Church, by Making the Church over into the image of the Roman Empire.

The Church had Changed its Nature, had entered its Great Apostasy, had become a Political Organization in the Spirit and Pattern of Imperial Rome, and took its Nose-Dive into the millennium of Papal Abominations

The Imperial Church of the 4th and 5th had become an entirely different institution from the persecuted church of the first three centuries. In its ambition to Rule it lost and forgot the spirit of [the Messiah]."

Not only did the subsequent Caesars enforce their own brand of Christianity on their subjects, but all of the kings and leaders of Europe followed the same example. That is why, when the Americas were discovered, many peoples, who were persecuted because they refused to submit to the king's authority on the subject of faith, fled to the new world in or-

der to follow their own brand of belief

Much of the world still follows this pattern. In Islamic countries, other faiths are suppressed on pain of persecution and death. In Buddhist countries, the same situation exists. In atheistic Communist countries, that faith is enforced upon the peoples. The leaders want their people to follow their example. This, of course, works for destruction.

DANIEL'S PROPHECY

The prophet Daniel was shown a thumbnail sketch of the successive world ruling kingdoms. The fourth beast in Daniel chapter 7 is Rome. A little horn (Caesar) comes out of this kingdom which makes war with the saints and prevails against them until the Ancient of days comes to give the kingdom to His saints (vv. 21-22). This little horn wears out the saints because of its war and persecutions against them (v. 25).

Daniel chapter 8 is a history of the eastern half of the Roman Empire.

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Daniel 8 begins with the overthrow of Persia by Alexander in order to set the stage and inform us that that half of the kingdom would be **Greek**. The little horn of this kingdom (Czar/tsar) magnifies himself to the Prince of Hosts, casts the truth to the ground and treads upon it (vv. 11-12). He causes CRAFT to prosper and

He causes CRAFT to prosper and by it destroys many (v. 25). "Craft" comes from the Hebrew

"Craft" comes from the Hebrew word "mirmah" which is generally translated as guile or deceit. It comes from another Hebrew word "ramah" which is generally translated as betray, deceive, **beguile**, etc. For instance, the serpent beguiled (ramah) Eve. (Gen. 3)

The little horn of Daniel 8 is Con-

stantine, called the Great. He began the dynasty of Caesars that would enter into the midst of the New Testament believers through subtilty and beguile them to fall away from the truth revealed in the Scriptures.

Just as the serpent, through his subtilty, beguiled Eve to take of the fruit of destruction, Constantine deceived the New Testament Assembly, the bride of the Messiah, to partake of the same. Constantine tempted the leaders of the New Testament Assembly with rulership in the kingdoms of this present evil world. The true believers are to rule with the Messiah in the kingdom of heaven, not in the present evil world.

Once the Caesars deceived the New Testament Assembly to be partakers in their kingdom, the Roman Empire was declared to be the Holy Roman Empire. This was blasphemy for there never has been anything holy about the Roman Empire nor its leaders. When we get to the end of the history of this world as revealed in the book of Revelation, we read, "And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, 8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. 9 And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth (beguiles/ ramah) the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him," Rev. 12:7-9.

DECEPTION & DESTRUCTION

Satan also possesses another title. In the Hebrew the title is Abaddon. In the Greek it is Apollyon. Both mean "destroyer." The Hebrew word Abaddon is compiled of two words, "abad" and "adon." "Abad" means to wander away, i.e. lose oneself; by implication to perish (causative, destroy). (Strong's Exhaustive Concordance) "Adon" means lord, sovereign, master, controller (ibid).

Satan is the lord, the master of wandering away, of losing oneself, of perishing, of destruction. The manner in which he destroys is through deception, guile, subtilty.

Paul writes, "Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Sovereign Yahshua the Messiah, and by our gathering together unto him,

- 2 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of the Messiah is at hand.
- 3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;
- 4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called Elohim, or that is worshipped; so that he as Elohim sitteth in the temple of Elohim, shewing himself that he is Elohim," 2 Thes. 2:1-4.

Notice what *Halley* says, once again, after Constantine entered into the New Testament Assembly, "The Church had changed its nature, had entered its Great Apostasy, had become a Political Organization in the Spirit and Pattern of Imperial Rome, and took its Nose-Dive into the millennium of Papal Abominations."

Paul continues, "For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.

- 8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Sovereign shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:
- 9 Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders,
- 10 And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.
- 11 And for this cause Yahweh shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:
- 12 That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness," 2 Thes. 2:7-12.

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Another problem is that most in the world love the deception and even

though the truth is brought to them, they still love and believe lies. They have not received a love of the truth.

WRATH POURED OUT

The serpent Satan is a great deceiver. The Scriptures reveal that deception and lies came into the world through him. Yahshua declared to the people of His day, "Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it. And because I tell you the truth, ye believe Me not," Jn. 8:44–45.

The book of Revelation reveals that he is still around at the end of the age deceiving the whole world leading it into destruction, and according to Scripture, the world loves to have it so, "And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.

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20 For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved," Jn. 3:19-20.

Paul writes, "But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints;

- 4 Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks.
- 5 For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of the Messiah and of Yahweh.
- 6 Let no man deceive you with vain

words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of Yahweh upon the children of disobedience," Eph. 5:3-6.

"Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry:

6 For which things' sake the wrath of Yahweh cometh on the children of disobedience:

- 7 In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them.
- 8 But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth," Col. 3:5-8.

"For the wrath of Yahweh is revealed from heaven against all impiety and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness:

- 19 Because that which may be known of Yahweh is manifest in them; for Yahweh hath shewed it unto them.
- 20 For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and headship; so that they are without excuse:
- 21 Because that, when they knew Yahweh, they glorified him not as Elohim, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.
- 22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,
- 23 And changed the glory of the uncorruptible Elohim into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things.
- 24 Wherefore Yahweh also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves:
- 25 Who changed the truth of Yahweh into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen.
- 26 For this cause Yahweh gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature:

27 And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet.

28 And even as they did not like to retain Yahweh in their knowledge, Yahweh gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient;

29 Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers,

30 Backbiters, haters of Yahweh, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents,

31 Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful:

32 Who knowing the judgment of Yahweh, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them," Ro. 1:18-32.

Yahweh's wrath is going to be poured out into the earth because the light of His truth came, but men hated the truth and the light. They loved wickedness, unrighteousness, falsehood and darkness. The truth has been cast to the ground (earth) and tread upon, stomped upon. Yahweh will not allow this wickedness to continue much longer.

EARTHSHAKING EVENTS

When a person continues to do so many, many things wrong that they cause problems upon all, or when a child is so rebellious that a parent or associate can't get through to their thick skull, one simply grabs that person or child and begins to try to shake some sense into their heads. Such is what Yahweh is soon going to do.

Isaiah writes, "Therefore thou hast forsaken thy people the house of Jacob, because they be replenished from the east, and are soothsayers like the Philistines, and they please themselves in the children of strangers

7 Their land also is full of silver and gold, neither is there any end of their treasures; their land is also full of horses, neither is there any end of their chariots:

8 Their land also is full of idols; they worship the work of their own hands, that which their own fingers have made:

9 And the mean man boweth down, and the great man humbleth himself: therefore for give them not.

10 Enter into the rock, and hide thee in the dust, for fear of Yahweh, and for the glory of his majesty.

11 The lofty looks of man shall be humbled, and the haughtiness of men shall be bowed down, and Yahweh alone shall be exalted in that day.

12 For the day of Yahweh of hosts shall be upon every one that is proud and lofty, and upon every one that is lifted up; and he shall be brought low:

13 And upon all the cedars of Lebanon, that are high and lifted up, and upon all the oaks of Bashan,

14 And upon all the high mountains, and upon all the hills that are lifted up,

15 And upon every high tower, and upon every fenced wall,

16 And upon all the ships of Tarshish, and upon all pleasant pictures.

17 And the loftiness of man shall be bowed down, and the haughtiness of men shall be made low: and Yahweh alone shall be exalted in that day.

18 And the idols he shall utterly abolish.

19 And they shall go into the holes of the rocks, and into the caves of the earth, for fear of Yahweh, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth.

20 In that day a man shall cast his idols of silver, and his idols of gold, which they made each one for himself to worship, to the moles and to the bats;

21 To go into the clefts of the rocks, and into the tops of the ragged rocks, for fear of Yahweh, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth.

22 Cease ye from man, whose breath is in his nostrils: for wherein is he to

be accounted of?" Isa. 2:6-22.

Looking at what the tsunami did to the Asian world, can we then begin to imagine how things will look when the whole world will be shaken from its foundations?

Isaiah also writes, "Behold, Yahweh maketh the earth empty, and maketh it waste, and turneth it upside down, and scattereth abroad the inhabitants thereof.

2 And it shall be, as with the people, so with the priest; as with the servant, so with his master; as with the maid, so with her mistress; as with the buyer, so with the seller; as with the lender, so with the borrower; as with the taker of usury, so with the giver of usury to him.

3 The land shall be utterly emptied, and utterly spoiled: for Yahweh spoken this word.

4 The earth mourneth and fadeth away, the world languisheth and fadeth away, the haughty people of the earth do languish.

5 The earth also is defiled under the inhabitants thereof; because they have transgressed the laws, changed the ordinance, broken the everlasting covenant.

6 Therefore hath the curse devoured the earth, and they that dwell therein are desolate: therefore the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men left," Isa. 24:1-6.

YAHSHUA'S WARNING

Yahshua warned His disciples concerning the latter times, "And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet.

7 For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.

8 All these are the beginning of sorrows," Mat. 24:6-8.

Yahweh has allowed man to continue in rebellion against Him. He has allowed the rulers and leaders to have their way with the people, causing them to cast His ways, His honor, His Continued on page 23......

BEWARE THE LEAVEN

I n the early spring in the month of Abib immediately following Passover is the seven day festival of unleavened bread that we are commanded to keep. You can read about it's institution in Ex.12:15-20. There was to be no leavening found anywhere within their borders for this seven day period. The first day is a holy day as is the last. To the Israelites it was to be a reminder of what Yahweh did for them when He brought them out of Egypt. (Ex.13:7-9. Deuteronomy 16:3) They left Egypt hurriedly and had no time to leaven their bread. As there is with everything that Yahweh does, there is a spiritual lesson to be learned from this festival time that the Israelites did not understand.

As one reads the books of the law one will discover that blood sacrifices and burnt offerings were to be made without leaven. (Exodus 34:25, Leviticus 2:11, Leviticus 6:17 Deuteronomy 16:4) We will discover the relevance of this later in this study. There were some exceptions to this rule, which will be covered in a future study.

WHAT LEAVEN REPRESENTS

In the new testament we will begin to see what leaven represents. Yahshua told the apostles in **Luke 12:1** to beware of the leaven of the Pharisees which was hypocrisy.

Before we continue with that thought let's look at a scripture where Paul gives us a little more insight. 1 Corinthians 5:8, Let us, therefore, celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

From these two scriptures we can understand that leaven represents hypocrisy, malice, and evil. Under investigation these words will all be shown to represent sinful attitudes.

Hypocrisy is from the Greek, "Hupokrisis". It means to play a part, deceitful pretending. Malice is from, "Kakia". It means, have ill will, desire to injure. Evil is from, "Poneria." It means, depravity, have evil purposes or desires in secret. This word also means, active exercise of a

vicious disposition. With this knowledge one can see that these things are all centred on deceiving others or doing evil that is directed at or affects others.

AN UNLEAVENED ATTITUDE

We are told to love our neighbour as ourselves. (Matthew 22:39) And a second is like it, You shall love your neighbour as yourself. Romans 13:9 The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not kill, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this sentence, "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." Galatians 5:14 For the whole law is fulfilled in one word, "You shall love your neighbour as yourself."

Before we continue we must establish just who is our neighbour. This question was asked of Yahshua. Luke 10:29, But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Yahshua, "And who is my neighbour?" To discover that answer read Yahshua's re-

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sponse. Luke 10:30-37

From this we can conclude that everyone is our neighbour in Yahweh's and Yahshua's eyes.

Let's pursue this concept a little further. Romans 13:10, Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law. Since love is the fulfilling of the law, not loving our neighbour would be the breaking of the law. Breaking of the law is identified as sin. 1John 3:4, Whosoever commits sin transgresses also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law.

Notice that those acting in love do no wrong or cause any harm to their neighbour.

We are also told to be truthful to our neighbour. **Ephesians 4:25**, Therefore,

putting away falsehood, let every one speak the truth with his neighbour, for we are members one of another. *Kakia* and *Poneria* are doing wrong to neighbour. *Hupokrisis* is being deceitful to neighbour. These things are all identified as leaven, which we are told to avoid.

EFFECTS OF LEAVEN

Leaven when it is added to bread dough puffs it up to many times its original size. It adds nothing to the dough except air. It makes the bread appear to be something that it isn't. Do a little experiment with a loaf of bread that has been made with yeast. Take a slice and a rolling pin and roll the slice. In doing this you will end up with a flat piece of bread. What you have done is removed the air and taken the bread back to its original size. A person who is leavened seems on the surface to be something they are not just as did the slice of bread.

Let's begin now to fully understand the spiritual danger of being leavened. Leaven is parallel to pride. Sin is the transgression of the law. All deliberate sin comes from pride

Leaven puffs up. Pride puffs up. The pride I'm referring to is self-exalting pride. This kind of pride will not stand. Proverbs 11:2, When pride comes, then comes disgrace; but with the humble is wisdom. Proverbs 16:18, Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall. Yahweh hates pride, not because it hurts Him but because it hurts our fellow man and ultimately, ourselves. Proverbs 8:13, The reverence of Yahweh is hatred of evil. Pride and arrogance and the way of evil and perverted speech I hate.

Just as a small amount of leaven will puff up a very large lump of dough 1 Cor.5:6.

THE PRIDEFUL ATTITUDE

Pride left unchecked will exalt us to a position higher than Yahweh. It is a position that we don't deserve and is unattainable except in our minds. This self-exalted posi-

tion is where sin is born. As stated before, all deliberate sin comes from self-exalting pride. Just how does this take place? Yahweh gave the law, including the ten commandments, as instruction on how one is to live a righteous life pleasing to him. When we disobey this instruction we sin. In doing this, we exalt ourselves to a position higher than His. We have by our actions or attitude overruled what he has said. We have now placed ourselves in the position of law-maker. What we decide takes precedence over what Yahweh has commanded.

Lets become fully aware of how easily one could exalt ones self to such a position.

Someone insults you. You are angry and you instantly lash back. Why are you angry? Because the one who insulted you thinks less of you than you do yourself. When you lash back you do so from pride. Because of this pride you have lashed back in vengeance. You have now taken a position that Yahweh says is His. Romans 12:19, Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of Elohim; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says Yahweh." **Proverbs 24:29,** Do not say, "I will do to him as he has done to me: I will pay the man back for what he has done." Yahshua has told us how we should act in such a situation. Luke 6:28, Bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you.

I use this example because it is the one most prevalent in our society today. Sometimes this situation can arise without a word spoken. It is shown in road rage, in long line-ups at checkout counters, and many other everyday situations. One should never react. Reaction is never preceded with thought. We must delay action so that it never becomes reaction. There is very good advice that can usually turn a potentially bad situation to good. Proverbs 15:18, A hot-tempered man stirs up strife, but he who is slow to anger quiets contention. **Proverbs 15:1,** A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.

YAHSHUA'S EXAMPLE

We as followers of Yahweh must be the ones who are slow to anger and answer softly. We must respond to others as Yahweh and Yahshua respond to us. Remember; Romans 5:10, For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to Elohim by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. John 3:16, For Elohim so loved the

world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. 17 For Elohim sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

This is not what we deserved but nevertheless it is how Yahweh responded to us, through love.

Is Yahshua asking the impossible? Does He require something of us that He would not do Himself? 1 Peter 2:21, For to this you have been called, because Messiah also suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps. 22 He committed no sin; no guile was found on his lips. 23 When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he trusted to him who judges justly. Hebrews 12:3, Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

Yahshua would never require of us something that He would not do. He set the example and abided by the following principle. 1 Peter 2:19, For one is approved if, mindful of Elohim, he endures pain while suffering unjustly. Yahshua knows exactly what it is like to be insulted and lied about unjustly but He never reacted from pride.

He was even murdered unjustly but still did not lash back. **Isaiah 53:7**, He was op-

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pressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is dumb, so he opened not his mouth.

He trusted in the word of Yahweh. Proverbs 29:23, A man's pride will bring him low, but he who is lowly in spirit will obtain honour. Because of this patience and humility which comes from true agape love He has been exalted by the one who said," vengeance is mine". Philippians 2:9, Therefore Elohim has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name.

The time is coming when people will think they are doing service to Yahweh if they kill us. **John 16:2**, They will put you out of the synagogues; indeed, the hour is coming when whoever kills you will think he is offering service to Elohim. When this time comes, will we respond as Yahshua, Stephen, Paul, Peter and the others that were put to death unjustly did? Acts 7:60, And he knelt down and cried with a loud voice, "Master, do not hold this sin against them." And when he had said this, he fell asleep. Stephen responded in love for his murderers. Romans 12:14, Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. The minor things that we face today are preparing us for the major things in the future.

The above is one small example of how one could exalt themselves to a position higher than Yahweh but any time we sin deliberately we are doing the same thing. We are over ruling Yahweh and placing ourselves above Him. This is being puffed up, leavened.

THE UNLEAVENED ATTITUDE

Let's now examine the opposite of pride, being leavened. This is humility, being unleavened. That which is unleavened is genuine. It is what it seems to be. There is nothing artificial. There is nothing hidden. It is in this unleavened state that we are pleasing to Yahweh.

As Yahshua was our example of patience and not railing back at those who treat us unkindly let Him also be our example of humility and being unleavened. Consider for a moment His position before He became flesh as a tiny human baby. He was at the very throne of Yahweh. He was Elohim. John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with Elohim, and the Word was Elohim. 2 He was in the beginning with Elohim; He was also the agent that Yahweh used to create all things including mankind.

John 1:3 all things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made. John 1:10 He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world knew him not. **Col. 1:15** He is the image of the invisible Elohim, the firstborn of all creation; 16 for in him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or authorities-all things were created through him and for him. Hebrews 1:2 but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world.

This great and awesomely powerful being was willing to give that all up to become as we are. **Phil.2:5** Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Messiah Yahshua, 6 who, though he was in the

form of Elohim, did not count equality with Elohim a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a stake.

This indestructible, almighty being who was in the second highest position in the universe and beyond gave it all up and became less than every person who has ever lived. Don't be shocked. It is true. Matthew 20:28 even as the Son of man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Luke **22:27** For which is the greater, one who sits at table, or one who serves? Is it not the one who sits at table? But I am among you as one who serves. Yahshua took the lowliest of positions among men. Consider for a moment, His position and attitude. He who was the agent of creation Acts **3:15** is impaled on a stake bearing the penalty for the sins of the entire world. He was the greatest servant who ever lived yet he was hated as a criminal.

Isaiah 53:3 He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. Matthew 26:67 Then they spat in his face, and struck him; and some slapped him, Matthew 27:39 And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads. Matthew 27:44 And the robbers who were crucified with him also reviled him in the same way.

Even in all of this He did not rail back. He accepted all the ridicule, insults, and hatred that the people He came to save handed out and He responded in love. Luke 23:34 And Yahshua said, "Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. This is genuine, unleavened, love of neighbour. Because of this love He was willing to go to the grave bearing the penalty that we deserved and in His last moments ask our heavenly Father to forgive us. (Understand this fully. He did not have to go through this degrading scenario. He could have responded as we might. If He wished to take vengeance by lashing back at His captors, they would have been destroyed in a heartbeat. Matthew 26:53 Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? Yahshua knew that the result of such an action would mean the destruction of the world. Yahshua came from love of others more than Himself and He endured what He did from love of others more than Himself)

Because of this humility that He suffered at our hands Yahweh has restored Him to His former glory, John 17:5 and now, Father, glorify thou me in thy own presence with the glory which I had with thee before the world was made. Yahweh answered this prayer of Yahshua because of the humble attitude with which it was said. He had accomplished the job that He came to earth to achieve, the salvation of mankind who He had created and loved dearly even through the hatred and insults. Yahweh has exalted Him as He said he would. **Revelation 5:11** Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, 12 saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honour and glory and blessing!"

This world, including all of us, now bow the head and knee to this one that was seen as a lowly criminal. **Phil.2:9** Therefore Elohim has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, 10 that at the name of Yahshua every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue confess that Yahshua Messiah is Master, to the glory of Elohim the Father.

At the beginning of this study we saw

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that blood sacrifices were to be offered without leaven. **Ex.34:25** "You shall not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leaven; neither shall the sacrifice of the feast of the Passover be left until the morning. All sacrifices and offerings signified Yahshua and His perfect sacrifice offered to Yahweh on our behalf.

As we have seen, Yahshua was totally unleavened. He was not puffed up by pride but was truly humble. This is the only type of sacrifice that Yahweh will accept. He will accept nothing artificial. Yahweh knows what we are. As Yahshua said, Luke 12:2 Nothing is covered up that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. Hebrews 4:13 And before him no creature is hidden, but all are open and laid bare to the eyes of him with whom we have to do.

Hypocrisy, malice and evil intent, those things that puff up, may be hidden from our fellow man but are clearly evident to Yahweh. In this condition we are not acceptable to Yahweh. Romans 12:1 I appeal to you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of Elohim, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to Elohim, which is your spiritual worship. Did you notice that we are to be living sacrifices? As sacrifices we are to offer ourselves to Yahweh, as Yahshua did, without leaven. Psalms 51:17 The sacrifice acceptable to Elohim is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O Elohim, thou wilt not despise.

As we approach this very Holy Passover season we must meditate on the great meaning of this festival time. It is a time of self examination to discover the leaven in our lives that will make us unacceptable to Yahweh. As Paul said; 1 Corinthians 5:7 Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Messiah, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed. As we partake of the bread and cup as the symbols of Yahshua's body and blood it is a time of recommitment to the covenant that Yahweh has made with us through Yahshua. In this commitment we must come before Yahweh laid bare and present ourselves without leaven. 1 Cor.5: 8 Let us, therefore, celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

In this unleavened state we can bow humbly before the loving creator and sustainer of the universe with confidence and say; **Psalms 141:2** Let my prayer be counted as incense before thee, and the lifting up of my hands as an evening sacrifice!

HalleluYah! May Yahweh bless your studies. Elder Dave Ganton

JUDGMENT

By Anthony Dyous

he wonderful thing about Yahweh our loving Heavenly Father is that He tells us clearly how He feels. He has given us thousands of examples about how He looks at things and exactly what is expected of us if we are to be blessed.

In the very beginning, Yahweh's loving kindness and His judgment is displayed. We have heard the story of Adam and Eve, and how they are made in Yahweh's image. Just as we do today, they had free will, and could choose to obey or disobey the things that they are told.

Yahweh knows that as our creator He is worthy of our praise and obedience, so He wanted us to have the ability to choose. The fact that He did not make us like robots having no choice, is a testament to His greatness!

Man disobeyed the command and therefore fell from a state of love, and bliss that we can barely imagine, all the way down to the condition that we find ourselves in today. In Genesis chapter 3 we can read this story and ask the question, why?

Many people today would say, "We don't have it so bad." "As a matter of fact, we have it pretty good!" If we looked through Yahweh's eyes do you think that this would be the case? Is it possible to know what Yahweh's judgment is regarding our actions, our country, and the world at large? The answer is Yes! Yahweh's thoughts are very clear and specific if we are willing to listen. From the beginning, it was His desire to make man in His image, and this includes the woman. Genesis 1:26, 27.

We have the ability to choose and with that, we are allowed to bring consequences both good and evil upon ourselves. This is the Law of Life itself and it applies to believers and unbelievers the same way. This Law of Life is placed on all human-kind

He that sows iniquity shall reap calamity; and the rod of his wrath shall fail. Proverbs 22:8. Be not deceived; Elohim (Yahweh) is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that shall he also reap. Galatians 6:7.

If I choose to break man's law the consequence will bring the police looking for me in order to bring me to justice. I can say that I don't deserve it, yet it was I who brought that result upon myself by breaking the Law.

Notice that in most cases we don't care when we break the law, it is only when we are caught and required to pay that the full weight of our actions is realized.

It is even more so when it is Yahweh and His Law that we willfully

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break. The Bible says, "The soul that sins will die." Ezekiel 18:4. Even working on the 7th day can bring death, and we are talking about Saturday, not Sunday! Lev. 23:30.

You shall keep My Sabbaths, and reverence My Sanctuary: I Am Yahweh. Lev. 26:2. And if by these things you will not be reformed to me, but will walk contrary to me; then I will also walk contrary to you; and I will afflict you, even I, Seven times for your sins. Lev. 26:23, 24. Then shall the land enjoy its Sabbaths, as long as it lies desolate, and you are in your enemies' land even then shall the land rest, and enjoy its Sabbaths. Lev. 26:34.

Remember that these are Yahweh's very words, and He really means what He says. A word proceeds from

His mouth and it is done! It does not matter if we believe it, because it is a law of life. The Second coming of Yahshua Messiah will tell people His Father's real name Yahweh, instead of using the title god. I will declare your name to My brethren: in the middle of the assembly I will praise you. Psalm 22:22.

Yahweh spoke through the Prophet Zephaniah to the world superpowers of his time. There is also a mention of our time and so we should take it as also being directed to us. (See Zeph. 1:14-18.)

Whatever we have in the number one position in our life, is our mighty one! If we have money in that number one position, then money is our mighty one. That person, place, or thing that we put the most value on is our Master. It could be a woman or man, or it could be a sport, even if it is a child, that child by virtue of our adoration becomes the reason for living and therefore our Master.

And Yahweh spoke all these words, saying, I AM Yahweh your Mighty One, who had brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house o bondage. You shall have no other mighty ones before Me. Exodus 10:1-3. And He said to him, you shall love Yahweh your Mighty One with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second like unto it is this, you shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments, the whole law hangs, and the Prophets. Matthew 22:37-40.

Whatever we put first place in our life, if it is not Yahweh, then it is false worship. In today's world many believe that it does not matter what we do as long as we are not caught breaking man's law. This is a form of self (false) worship.

And I will stretch out My hand upon Judah, and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and I will cut off the remnant of Baal from this place, and the name of the Chemarim with the priests; and them that worship the host of heaven upon the housetops; and them that worship, that swear to Yahweh and swear by Malcam; and them that are turned back from following Yahweh; and those that have not sought Yahweh, nor inquired after Him. Zeph. 1:4-6. What exactly is sin? Everyone that commits sin also transgresses the law; for sin is the transgression of the law. 1 Jn. 3:4.

Many people today believe that riches will save them and make them happy. There is a false sense of security that comes with wealth, and our world promotes the idea that money is happiness! Neither their silver nor their gold shall be able to deliver them in the day of Yahweh's wrath; but the whole land shall be devoured by the fire of His jealousy: for He will make an end, yes, a terrible end, of all them that dwell in the land. Zeph. 1:18.

You may ask how do we escape this judgment then? The answer to this question can also be found in the Bible.

Gather yourselves together, even gather together, O nation that has no shame; before the decree brings forth, before the day passes as the chaff, before the fierce anger of Yahweh comes upon you. Seek Yahweh all you meek of the earth, that have kept His ordinances; seek righteousness, seek meekness, it may be you will be hid in the day of Yahweh's anger. Zeph. 2:1-3. We can gather together and seek Yahweh with the utmost respect, and honor Him with our words and deeds. Are the nations of the earth too proud to do this?

Woe to her that is rebellious and polluted! To the oppressing city! She obeyed not the voice; she received not correction; she trusted not in Yahweh; she drew not near to her Mighty One (Elohim). Zeph. 3:12. Her prophets are light and treacherous persons; her Priests have profaned the Sanctuary, they have done violence to the law, Yahweh in the mid-

dle of her is righteous; He will not do iniquity; every morning He brings His justice to light, He fails not; but the unjust knows no shame. Zeph. 3:4, 5. I said, only fear (respect) Me; receive correction; so her dwelling shall not be cut off, according to all that I have appointed concerning her: but they rose early and corrupted all their doings. Zeph. 3:7.

Sometimes it appears that we treat Yahweh as if we are His bosses. Our prayers are about what He can do for us, and almost never, about what we can do for His Honor and Glory. We even tell ourselves that we are better than those other sinners. It does not matter if we think ourselves to be great; Yahweh will bring judgment on all Nations that break His commands!

I have spread out My hands all the day to a rebellious people, that walk in a way that is not good, after their own thoughts; a people that provoke Me to My face continually, sacrificing in gardens, and burning incense upon bricks; that sit among the graves, and lodge in the sacred places; that eat swine's flesh, and broth of abominable things in their vessels; that say, stand by yourself;

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come not near to me, for I am holier than you. These are a smoke in My nose, a fire that burns all the day. Isa. 65:2-5.

What result does Yahweh's judgment bring, and does it do any good at all? For then will I change to the peoples a pure language, that they may call upon the name Yahweh to serve Him with one consent. From beyond the rivers of Ethiopia My suppliants, even the Daughter of My dispersed, shall bring My offering. In that day shall you not be put to shame for all your doings, in which you have transgressed against Me: for then I will take away out of the middle of you your proudly exulting ones, and you shall no more be haughty in My holy mountain. But I will leave in the middle of you an afflicted and poor people, and they shall take refuge in the name of Yahweh. The remnant (remainder) of Israel shall not do iniquity, nor speak lies; neither shall a deceitful tongue be found in their mouth; for they shall feed and lie down, and none shall make them afraid. Zeph. 3:9-13.

We can see that Yahweh's judgment is able to bring about a positive change for the entire earth! No more haughty people, no more lies or deceitfulness, and no more oppression or wars. This is what Yahweh's Kingdom brings to earth, and most so-called believers have been convinced that heaven is all that they can look forward to. In the popular prayer that most are using as an example we have the words; And He said to them, when you pray, say, Our Father, who is in heaven. Hallowed be your Name. Your kingdom come. Luke 11:2.

That means that heaven will come to earth and not the other way around. However wicked men would have you to believe that you should wait until you die and go to heaven in order to receive your reward.

Why then do most believers allow the blind to lead them when they are in fact not able to see clearly because they do not belong to Yahweh's Kingdom at all? Nor are they trying to do the right thing because their idea is that money brings happiness!

Therefore I speak to them in parables; because seeing they see not, and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand. Matthew 13:13.

Lastly, Yahweh's Judgment brings true peace on earth. The kind that we have never seen since the world began. The kind of bliss that only Adam and Eve had before they fell into sin, by breaking Yahweh's command. He that overcomes, I will give to him that sit down with Me in My throne, as I also overcame, and sat down with My Father in His throne. He that has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the Assemblies. Revelation 3:21, 22.

WHOM DO YOU TRULY WORSHIP?

Are you worshipping the true Creator? Do you know who you are worshipping? Read this article to find out.

By Kevin Bitterman

For a number of years now, when getting together for our family get-together around Thanksgiving time, we have each taken a turn to express what it is that we are thankful for. However, due to circumstances, last year we didn't take the time to do that. Therefore, I am taking the liberty to put in writing something that I want to share with you that I am most thankful for, which is being afflicted.

As odd as it may seem, being afflicted is good for us, but most who are afflicted are not thankful for it, and I too at times do not appreciate the affliction when going through it. (Heb. 12:11) However, in the Psalms it is recorded that "it is good for me that I have been afflicted..." (119:71) "Before I was afflicted I went astray...I know, O Yahweh, that thy judgments are right, and that thou in faithfulness hast afflicted me. (Ps. 119:67,75) I personally know this to be true and I know that afflictions come in many different ways.

An affliction can be a blessing in disguise. Most of us here in the USA obviously have many physical blessings, which may lead many to believe that their blessing is a sign from above that they are in the right way with our creator. On the other hand, it is reasoned that the ones who are afflicted, in one way or another, deserve the affliction and need to change. Although some afflictions do come in order for us to change our ways, many who are in the right way are also afflicted without cause, (Mt. 10:22; 24:9; Mk; 13:13; Lk. 21:17; Jn. 15:19, 25; 17:14; Phil. 1:29,30; Heb. 11:24,25,32-39; James. 5:10; 1Pet. 2:19,20; 4:16; 1Jn. 3:13) but it is also true that many who are blessed are not in the right way.

The point that I am making is that the way of righteousness and true worship is not determined upon whether we are blessed or not. Our blessings are not the determining factor that the way we are living our life is according to the truth, "Thy word is truth." (Jn. 17:17). Therefore, it is by the word of Yahweh that determines if we are living our life in the

right way, according to the truth. Furthermore, just because an affliction does occur doesn't necessarily mean that our ways are the wrong ways and that we need to change.

The Called

More often than not blessings are what cause many to continue in a falsehood. Our savior tells us, "...They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick. But go ye and learn what that meaneth...for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." (Mt. 9:12,13 [note the same in Mk. 2:17; Lk. 5:31,32]) "Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man..." (1Tim. 1:9) could it be that those who do away with the law are not called, because those who do away with the law have declared themselves righteous, or whole, but our savior came to call the unrighteous/sinners to repentance?

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Those who have done away with the law have declared themselves righteous, by doing away with the law. However, that of course does not make them righteous. The way that one becomes righteous is by doing the law, not by doing away with it. (Rom. 2:13) Don't forget the words of our savior when he said, "I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." (Mt. 9:13)

In order for a sinner to repent it means that they are to quit sinning, and the only way to do that is to quit violating the law, because "...sin is the transgression of the law." (IJn. 3:4) Therefore, if those who have done away with the law are called, then they are not answering their calling if they continue to do away with the law, because sinners are called to repent, (Mt. 9:13) which means that they are called to quit transgressing the law.

Those who do away with the law con-

tinue to transgress it, so, either they are not called, (Jer. 14:14; 23:21; 29:9) but they prophesy or say that they believe as though they were called, or they are called, but they are not answering their calling. (2Pet. 1:10) Don't forget, MANY are called, but only a few are chosen. (Mt. 20:16; 22:14) Obviously the chosen ones are the ones who answer our savior's call to repent. (Mt. 9:13; Jn. 10:27) In other words, the chosen ones are the ones who keep the law of Yahweh, not the ones who do away with the law of Yahweh.

Knowing that "...There is none righteous, no, not one," (Rom. 3:10 [also note: Ps. 14:2-4; 53:2-4]) reveals that the law is for everyone, because "the law is not made for a righteous man..." (1Tim. 1:9) it was made for the unrighteous, which includes everyone of us. However, many who are blessed feel that they have need of nothing, (Rev. 3:17) which includes seeking out the truth and the law, because they are comfortable where they are at without the truth and to keep the law might disturb their routine that makes their lifestyle comfortable. After all, who would want to do something that might interrupt the flow of blessings? How could anything need changing when so many blessings keep occurring? Many who do not have the foreknowledge to know what true blessings are believe that physical blessings, or miracles, are like a sign that they are on the strait and narrow way that leads to true blessings. Therefore, they seek out professed believers, who give witness to miracles or those who have been physically blessed, and follow after the ways that they follow, because they are deceived into believing that they must be on the right track or else they wouldn't be as blessed as they are. However, we are to "walk by faith, not by sight." (2Cor. 5:7)

What we hear and see of blessings or miracles (Rev. 13:14) must not keep us from learning the truth found in Yahweh's word in order for us to follow him, instead of following after the practices of

those who have received some sort of a miracle or after the practices of those who have been blessed.

The fact of the matter is that there are many who are tremendously blessed **but**. they falsely worship on Sunday, and because of their blessings and because of their dedication to their faith, they reason that Sunday worship can't be wrong. Therefore, many others follow in the same practices that they use for worship, and the same is true of participating in the practice of how the pagans worship. Many blessed people participate in pagan practices even though we are commanded not to worship Yahweh in the same way that others serve their elohim. We are told to "Take heed to thyself that thou be not snared by following them...(those who serve other elohim) saying, How did these nations serve their elohim? even so will I do likewise. **Thou** shalt not do so unto Yahweh thy Elohim...(serve/worship him in the way that others serve their elohim) What thing soever I command you, observe to do it: thou shalt not add thereto, nor diminish from it." (Dt. 12:30-32)

Thou Shalt Not

Although this is a command, "Thou shalt not," many who profess to believe in the 10 commandments don't believe that this commandment (Dt. 12:30-32) has anything to do with the 10 commandments. They believe that this commandment was done away with because it is only a commandment that is within the law which they reason is done away with. Therefore, they reason that there is nothing wrong with serving Yahweh in the same way that the pagans have served their elohim not mattering that those ways are **not** found within the Scriptures. How sad it is for those who believe in keeping all 10 of the commandments that they criticize others for worshipping on Sunday, because they do not have any Scriptural instructions to do so, while at the same time many of them observe our savior's birth, and a day for his resurrection is observed by many of them as well, but neither of those observances are observed with any Scriptural instructions to do so.

On their own initiative they have deemed it necessary to observe a day in honor of our savior's birth and on their own initiative they have deemed it necessary to observe a day in honor of his

<u>resurrection</u>. Furthermore, many of them even neglect to observe the annual Sabbaths of Yahweh when there are no Scriptural instructions stating that we should abandon Yahweh's annual Sabbaths.

Concerning the annual Sabbaths that man has deemed unnecessary to observe: our savior kept them, the apostles kept them, the first and second century followers of the Messiah kept them, they have been kept all down through history by his followers, and in prophecy it is revealed that they will be kept in the kingdom.

Sabbath keepers are right when they say that Sunday keepers shouldn't observe Sunday for weekly services, because there are no Scriptural instructions for them to do so, and that they should adhere to what the Scriptures do instruct, which is to observe the seventh day Sabbath. However, the same is true of the Sabbath keepers who do not keep the annual Sabbaths that Scripture instructs for us to keep. (Lev. 23)

A day should not be observed in honor of our savior's birth, or for his resurrection, when there are no Scriptural instructions for us to do so. By doing so it is **adding** to Yahweh's word, which is

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forbidden. Participating in such observances is no different than worshiping on Sunday. Just like there are no Scriptural instructions for us to worship on Sunday, there are no Scriptural instructions given that say we should observe our saviors birth and there are no Scriptural instructions given that say we should observe a day in honor of his resurrection.

Rather than observing days that <u>seem</u> holy <u>to us</u> (Pro. 14:12; Isa. 55:8,9) we need to adhere to what the Scriptures instruct, (Dt. 12:32) which is to observe Yahweh's annual Sabbaths. (Lev. 23) Not to do so is no different than refusing to worship on the seventh day Sabbath as instructed (Ex. 16:26,29; 20:10,11; 23:12; 31:15; 34:21; 35:2; Lev. 23:3; Dt. 5:14; Mt. 28:1; Mk. 16:1,2; Lk. 23:56,24:1; Heb. 4:4-9) rather than on any other day of the week.

Although it is reasoned that the com-

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mandment in Deuteronomy 12:30-32 has no connection with the 10 commandments (otherwise they would have to give up the false observance of the birth of our savior, Christmas, and the false observance of his resurrection, Easter), the first of the 10 commandments reveals that "Thou shalt have no other elohim before me." (Ex. 20:3) By participating in practices that are not instructed in Scripture another elohim other than Yahweh is being served.

Who Do You Serve?

Who we say that we serve and whom we actually serve is not always one and the same. Our actions speak louder than words. Take for instance the person who is openly living an immoral life: running around and cheating on his wife, a chronic liar, angry and mean tempered to friends and family, swindles people out of what little they have for his gain, yet he profess to be a Christian. To those who have any type of discernment could easily tell from the actions of this man that he truly isn't what he says he is. So, just because it is Yahweh Whom we say we serve doesn't mean that it is Yahweh being served unless our actions meet what our words say.

The concept that all worship that is offered by Christians ultimately is channeled to Yahweh, because there is ultimately only one Elohim, is false. If that concept were true then it would be impossible for a Christian to accept the false messiah and the elohim of the Buddhist, Islamic, Hindus, etc. would ultimately turn out to be Yahweh. However, we know that many Christians will be deceived into accepting a false messiah as their savior and that there is only one way to reach our heavenly father, and that is through his son. (Jn. 10:1; 14:6; 1Tim. 2:5)

Furthermore, the concept that all worship that is offered by Christians ultimately is channeled to Yahweh is proven to be false because of what our savior said in Matthew 4:10, "...it is written, Thou shalt worship Yahweh thy Elohim, and him only shalt thou worship," which corresponds with the first commandment which reads, "Thou shalt have no other elohim before me." (Ex. 20:3)

This reveals that there are "other elohim," (1Cor. 8:5) but what true believers need to be careful of is that when they worship Yahweh that they have not been

deceived into worshipping an imitation.

Those who worship an imitation think that it is the one and only true Elohim that they are worshiping, and if someone tried to point it out to them that they are worshipping an imitation, they would deny that they are worshipping an imitation. Don't forget that an imitation can look like the real thing, so we need to know what is or isn't written in the word of Yahweh to be sure that it truly is Yahweh that we are worshipping.

Believing that we do not need to do the things that are instructed in Scripture, is the same as believing in an imitation, and believing that we can do things that are not instructed in Scripture is the same as believing in an imitation. Therefore, we not only need to know what the Scriptures do say, but we need to know what the Scriptures don't say. In other words, we need to be able to identify the things that man does, which is added to the Scriptures, so we won't follow after those ways; and we need to be able to identify the things that man is neglecting to do, according to Scripture, so we will be able to do those things.

In Romans 6:16 we are told, "Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin (transgressing/doing away with the law [1Jn. 3:4]) unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?" In other words, those who do away with the commandments given in the law or add to them are servants to sin, which in turn they are servants of the devil, not Yahweh. This is confirmed in 1John 3.

When we disobey what Yahweh has instructed in his written word then we are servants of the devil, not Yahweh, even though Yahweh is the one that we profess to serve. Verses 8-10 of 1John 3 "He that committeth sin reads. (transgresses the law [v. 4]) is of the devil...Whosoever is born of Yahweh doth not commit sin (transgress the law) ...In this the children of Yahweh are manifest, and the children of the devil..." In other words, those who don't keep the law are of the devil, but those who keep the law are of Yahweh. Whether we keep the law or not reveals whether we are of the devil or if we are of Yahweh.

Good Intensions, But Deceived

How many Christians do you know who

openly sin, yet they proclaim that it is our creator that they worship? I know of MANY, and I am sure that you do too. However, according to 1John 3:8-10, and other places, it is revealed that they are fooling themselves into believing that it is our creator that they worship when they openly live their life in sin. When they openly sin, even though they profess that they serve our creator, they are in fact serving the devil.

Now then, use this same concept on those who are deceived. MANY are deceived into believing that the law is done away with. Therefore, by not keeping the law they are openly breaking/transgressing the law, but what MANY do not understand is that transgressing the law is sin. (1Jn. 3:4) Therefore, although they are deceived, and they believe that it is our creator that they worship, they too are openly sinning and serving the devil instead of our creator. I hope that you are able to grasp the power of deception.

Although those who worship Yahweh would deny that they serve anyone other than Yahweh when they sin, the fact of the matter is that when they are sinning

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(violating/doing away with his law [1Jn. 3:4]) then they are serving and obeying an entity other than Yahweh. (1Jn. 3:8) The same is true of those who direct their worship towards Yahweh in the ways that others serve their elohim. Even though they may deny that they are serving anyone other than Yahweh, the one that is truly being served is the one who commanded the worship; "...to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are."

The only way that Yahweh is truly being served is when he is worshipped in the way that he has commanded. "What thing soever I command you, observe to do it: thou shalt not add thereto, nor diminish from it." (Dt. 12:32) I hope that all who are truly sincere in their worship towards Yahweh come to realize that when they worship him in ways other

than the ways that he has commanded, that those ways are considered to be false worship, and that they have been **fooled/deceived** into believing that it is Yahweh being worshipped.

To those who are deceived into worshipping our savior falsely, or don't worshiphim as he has commanded, he is going to say to them, "...depart from me, ye that work iniquity." (i.e. ye who have violated his law by worshipping in the same way that others have worshipped their elohim and or not worshipping him in the way that he has commanded [Mt. 7:21-23]).

Those who don't worship Yahweh in the ways that he has commanded, and or worship him in the ways that others have worshipped their elohim, he will profess unto them; "...I never knew you." (Mt. 7:23) The bottom line is that Yahweh is seeking out those who are worshipping him in truth, "...true worshipers shall worship the father in spirit and in truth: for the father seeketh such to worship him...they that worship him MUST worship him in spirit and in truth." (Jn. 4:23,24)

So, ask yourself where it is that Yahweh commands the observance of Christmas? Is it truly Yahweh who is being honored in that false observance? Although the story about our savior's birth is told in the Scriptures, but there are no instructions given in Yahweh's word to observe a day in honor of his birth. Therefore, the observance of our savior's birth is added worship, it is a commandment of man (Mt. 15:8,9; Mk. 7:7) not a commandment of Yahweh.

If it were true that we were to observe the day of our savior's birth Yahweh wouldn't leave us guessing as to what that date is. It is important to know what the Scriptures do and don't say. They do tell us of our savior's birth, but they don't say to celebrate it. To say that we should celebrate our savior's birth is reading something into the Scriptures that is not there and that is adding to Yahweh's word, which is forbidden.

Doesn't the concept of "<u>false</u> worship" come to mind when a "<u>false</u>" day is ascribed to the birth of our savior and observed? <u>It should!</u> It is a well known fact that the day when our savior was born on was not December 25th, yet many continue to <u>falsely</u> observe that day as the day of our savior's birth. Not to mention the <u>lies</u> that are told to little children

about who checks his list to see if they have been naughty or nice and who brings them gifts.

Most children know more about a fairy tale of a man, who they are told they had better be good for so he will bring them gifts, than they do about our savior who will give them the gift of eternal life. (Rom. 6:23) Isn't that enough to be good for? They need to be taught the truth, that they need to be good because the wages of sin is death, not that they need to be good so that some fairy tale of a man will bring them gifts. When did it become wrong to teach the truth? (Dan. 8:12; Isa. 5:20; Rom. 1:25; 2Thess, 2:11,12; 2Tim. 4:4; Tit. 1:13,14; 2Pet. 2:2)

Evidently, people don't want to be accused of teaching a works doctrine, but that is because they do not want to do the works to overcome sin, yet they teach their children a doctrine of works in order to get them to be good and they will receive a gift if they are good. Parents need to heed what they teach their children because we are instructed to overcome sin. Striving to overcome sin has falsely been attributed to trying to earn salvation through works. However, such is not the case. Striving to overcome sin is simply an attempt to become the person that we were created to be. (Lev. 19:2; Mt. 5:48; 2Cor. 13:11; Eph. 4:10-13; Phil. 3:12-15; Col. 1:28; 4:12; 2Tim. 3:16,17; James 1:4; Rev. 3:1,2)

So then, we need to be sure that the customs and practices that we take up are Scriptural. For those who observe a day in honor of our savior's birth, leaving the lies out that are told to the children about that celebration isn't going to clean that celebration up and make it Scriptural. The fact remains that he wasn't born on December 25^{th} and Scripture does not instruct us to observe a day in honor of our savior's birth.

Furthermore, where in Yahweh's word is it commanded to decorate our homes, or the sanctuary with a tree? Where is it ascribed that the birth of the Messiah is December 25th? Where in Yahweh's word are any of the Christmas customs endorsed? Also, please note that the customs that surround: New Years Day, Easter, Valentine's Day, and Halloween are not endorsed in Yahweh's word, which makes them <u>added</u> customs never instructed by Yahweh, and that which is **added** is forbidden. (Dt. 4:2; 12:32; Josh

1:7; Pro. 30:6; Ecc. 3:14 Rev. 22:18,19) Also, please note that most all of those added customs are adopted customs that others used to serve false elohim, which is forbidden for us to participate in by the word of Yahweh. (Lev. 18:3,4; 20:23; Dt. 12:1-4,30,31; 18:9; Jer. 10:2; Eph. 4:17) The only way that those customs or observances could be considered as being Scriptural would be if they were instructed in Scripture, but their not. So that makes them unscriptural observances and customs.

Pagan Customs Can't Be Christianized

When we use the practices that others used to serve their elohim to serve Yahweh, then even though we have attempted to Christianize those customs to make them acceptable, it is the other elohim that we are actually obeying instead of Yahweh, because Yahweh didn't command those customs. The simple fact is that whoever commanded those customs is the one that is being served (Rom. 6:16) even though we say that it is Yahweh that we are serving, "... forasmuch as this people draw near me with their mouth, and with their lips do

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honor me, but...<u>their fear toward me is taught</u> by the precept of men." (Isa. 29:13)

When people worship Yahweh in ways other than how Scripture instructs them to worship then they worship him by their own precepts rather than worshipping by the precepts of Yahweh. (please note: Isa. 55:8,9; 5:21; Num. 15:38-40; Pro. 3:5; 12:15; 14:14; 16:25 Jer. 9:23,24) So, why is it that people insist upon worshipping Yahweh in the same ways that the false elohim are worshipped when Yahweh forbids it?

By worshipping Yahweh in the same ways that the false elohim are worshipped one is ascribing to him as just being another false elohim who will not perform his will to those who add and/or diminish from his word. Therefore, instead of holding to Yahweh's will, that demands true worship (Jn. 4:23,24) through observing the things that he commands, (Dt. 12:32) man ignores his

word (which diminishes from it) and adopts customs from other religions for worship (which adds to his word). If people want to worship in the same ways that the pagans worship then why don't they just become pagans instead of riding the fence and worshipping like the pagans do, but saying that it is Yahweh that you are worshipping? (Rev. 3:15,16)

It is clear why they say that it is Yahweh who they worship, because they want to **be in the kingdom**, but the only way that Yahweh is going to allow them into the kingdom is if they do what his will is, (Mt. 7:21) and it is his will that we do not worship in the same way that the false elohim is worshipped. (Lev. 18:3,4; 20:23; Dt. 12:1-4,30,31; 18:9; Jer. 10:2; Eph. 4:17) Therefore, it isn't going to do them any good to say that Yahweh is their Elohim, because they want to be in the kingdom, because they won't be in the kingdom when they worship him in the same way that other elohim is worshipped rather than worshipping him in the way that he has commanded. (Mt. 7:21; Rev. 3:15,16)

Yahweh assures us in Ezekiel 12:25 that, "I will speak, and the word that I shall speak shall come to pass..." (also note: Num. 14:28-35; Eze. 12:28) Therefore, those who add to the word of Yahweh by adding worship from customs not commanded, or those who diminish from the word of Yahweh by neglecting to keep what he does command, need to take heed. Yahweh is not one of the false elohim. He is not as one of them who is not alive. You can't ignore how he commands us to worship. You can't worship him in ways that the false elohim are worshipped. "It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living Elohim... they shall know that I am Yahweh, and that I have not said in vain that I would do this evil unto them." (Heb. 10:31; Eze. 6:10; Mt. 7:21-23)

COMMENTS FROM OUR READERS

WEBSITE:

Oh, how refreshing it was to find your website. I have not read much YET but I will. I am a new Christian and I have been dutifully searching for the truth. As you know, it is incredibly hard to find. Just getting a bible that is correct is hard enough. The closest I have found is "The Scriptures" which I have ordered. I doubt that it is even correct but at least they have restored Yahweh's and Yahshua's name to their rightful place. I have Yahweh's spirit residing in me since I have asked for knowledge and accepted Yahshua's gift and I have a thirst for the truth unlike anything I have ever felt before. Since I am very ignorant of the message, many things perplex me. Craig Winn introduced me to Yahweh and I am forever grateful. I am hoping that you can also help. You both seem to be on the same page. He has a new book in the works called future history that is wonderful so far. One can read it for free at prophetofdoom.net. I am having a problem understanding what I am to do for the Migra's that Yahweh has put forth. I just want to show up for the meeting. I believe I should eat a lamb in His honor at pesach, and consume unleavened bread for a week there after. It gets foggy after that. Perhaps I am wrong about those also. Correct me if I am wrong, but even if I am correct, please tell me when I should do these things. Something about the 14th of Nisan, and the following days but can vou break it down for a dummy? What date does this fall on in our pagan Gregorian calendar? Are they the same every year?Do I eat lamb on the Friday before "easter" and then the unleavened bread for the next 7 days ending on the following Sabbath? What am I to do for the other festivals/ appointments? I can research the significance of these festivals after I know what to do as I am confident that they are prophetic and fulfilled later in scripture. That isn't a concern for me now since I trust that Yahweh is error-free. I just want to know what I should do and when, so I do not offend any longer. I have quickverse 8 on the way also, and this should help me amplify Yahweh's message.Please help me. I know I am rambling but I hope you know what I need. Meanwhile I will research your site.

Thank You Brother. In Yahweh's shem, Shane Coombs

Dear Brethren in Messiyah Yahshua,

I thank YHWH for the website He has founded through you. I have been on a long journey, seeking "pure" gold. He put me on the trail of the "golden fleece". Seeking His Face, His Holy Name. In 1997 I was in Anchorage, Alaska and I had a dream. I saw as it were a smoke, and as I looked, a breeze came and parted the smoke like a curtain. And there I saw the Tetragrammaton YHWH. The four consonants. I will never forget the vision. I can still see it. I have had a passion to know Truth,

especially the Truth of His Holy Name. He has given me many good men who have "proved" His Holy Name to me. And today, He has completed the mission regarding His Holy Name through your website. Like the Bereans, we must search and know the Truth, and I was still needing confirmation on all that I have researched on His Holy Name. Today the mission is ACCOMPLISHED! I feel like a man who on a long tedious journey has reached his destination. So, friend, again I say Thanks, thanks, for leading me to the cache of "gold", the golden fleece, the KEY OF DESTINY, I have so long sought. Luke 11:52 says the "key of knowledge"! I can rest now, in YHWH, He led me all the way through His Holy Word, and His Holy People.

Sincerely, in Yahshua Messiyah from............
Truth Hunter!

CORRESPONDENCE COURSE:

2 mos. Ago I put my faith & Bible down...I've had this lesson 1 since Aug... mainstream religion wasn't sufficing my spiritual needs. After doing this lesson 1 I now see why. I'd like to continue in my walk with Yahweh & His Son & I truly believe your ministry. The real truth will enable & also truly prepare me for Yahweh's service. I'm one NOT to just believe the truth of others as my own very easily...I'm aware of all the false teachings, doctrines of man disguised as being of Yahweh & truth...Thanks! "Sincerely" PGR/TX

Thank you for sharing the truth with me. The fruits of the spirit are quickly manifesting themselves through me. I am anxiously awaiting your next study. Thanks again.

AL/TX

I am looking forward to the next lesson! (#2) This lesson was really great. Now I know what I need to do. I have repented. I need to be baptized properly. I am so happy to finally be taught the truth. I am so eager to learn! If you have any more literature or booklets I would be happy to receive them from you.

WB/TX

COMMENTS CONTIN-UED.....

By my answers at the start of Lesson #1 I couldn't believe how much in the dark I am and how deceived I have been all my life. I feel the truth in Yahweh! I think I am on the right track to becoming faithful!

WM/TX

I'm enjoying every lesson you send and they have opened my understanding a lot. KB/TX

GENERAL:

Thank you so very much. I am very blessed by all I've received from you. RF/TX

Brother Jerry Osbourne has taken me under his wing and befriended me here in Roswell Correctional Center. He has supplied me with your study tapes and literary materials. In doing so, he has fueled a fire that consumes my mind.

I feel as though the veil has been lifted and I have been brought to the truth. I want to be added to your mailing list and also to receive a materials list of some sore, should you have that available. CB/NM



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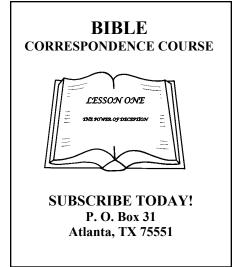
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NEWSLETTER:

A friend of mine gave me your latest issue of the YEA NEWSLETTER. I truly enjoyed it. I was wondering if I could be added to your mailing address. What I like the most, is the fact that you use the Name of Yahweh. I also am a firm believer in the Holy Feasts, which are so clearly spoken of in the Word of Yahweh.

CS/DE

Thank you for the YEA NEWSLETTER. It is truly informative as to the truth. Elder Healan, you, among a few, seem to be the only ones teaching the truth! BC/TX



Continued from page 21......dom, because they profess his son to be their savior and they worship him. However, they evidently do not have a concept of how important TRUE worship is. (Jn. 4:23,24) They evidently think that their, "form of [righteousness]," will suffice for them to enter into the kingdom, but such isn't the case.

 So, are you a worker of iniquity? Please note that the workers of iniquity obviously <u>feel</u> that they are followers of our savior, (Mt. 7:22). They do not consider themselves as being workers of iniquity. Do you follow these practices and yet, do not consider yourself as being a worker of iniquity? It would be best to closely examine what a worker of iniq-

an unrepentant world and mankind as a whole. The earthquake that spawned the tsunami is nothing compared to the disaster that will come upon the world.

We urge all to repent, and turn to

uity truly is before answering, No, with only an assumption that you are not a worker of iniquity. This issue is not worth fooling yourself over.

Yahweh through Yahshua so that they may be delivered from that awesome and terrifying day.

By Jerry Healan

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